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SUBJECT: UAEG REQUEST FOR RELINQUISHMENT OF LOCAL
OPERATING AREA IN GULF

REF: (A) KUWAIT 1307; (0) LONDON 2804; (C) KUWAIT 0509

1. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT FIVE SEPARATE AREAS IN
GULF, INCLUDING " CHARLIE", " DELTA", AND " FOXTROT" ZONES
MENTIONED REFTEL (C) -- ALL FIVE OF WHICH ARE LOCATED IN
INTERNATIONAL WATERS -- HAVE IN PAST BEEN USED BY BOTH
US AND UK NAVAL UNITS AS SHELLING RANGES AND FOR OTHER
OPERATIONAL PRACTICES.

2. UNDER ACCEPTED INTERNATIONAL PROCEDURES, ONLY PRIOR
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REQUIREMENT FOR USE OF THESE AREAS IS THAT PROPER " NOTICE TO MARINERS (NOTAM)" BE SUBMITTED AND PUBLISHED SO THAT OTHER VESSELS MAY KNOW TO STAY CLEAR OF AREA AT THOSE TIMES WHEN NAVAL OPERATIONS SCHEDULED.

3. SINCE NEITHER USG NOR ANY OTHER NATIONAL GOVERNMENT HAS JURISDICTION OVER INTERNATIONAL WATERS, USG HAS NO RPT NO OBJECTION TO UAEG USE OF ANY ONE OF THESE FIVE AREAS, SO LONG AS UAEG GIVES PROPER PRIOR NOTIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACCEPTED INTERNATIONAL PROCEDURES AS EXPLAINED ABOVE. QUESTION OF " RELINQUISHMENT" THUS DOES NOT ARISE. US NAVY. OF COURSE, MAY ALSO WISH TO UTILIZE THESE AREAS AGAIN IN FUTURE AT PROPERLY SPECIFIED TIMES. ROGERS

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